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SUBJ: IMPERIAL COMMISSION TO ELIMINATE WASTAGE

1. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, THE SHAH ISSUED AN IMPERIAL EDICT ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION TO ELIMINATE WASTAGE AND TO PROMOTE EFFICIENCY IN THE USAGE OF MANPOWER RESOURCES AND AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL PRODUCTS. THE COMMISSION WILL BE MADE UP OF REPRESENTATIVES OF MINISTRIES DIRECTLY AFFECTED, AS WELL AS OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR-- INCLUDING FARMERS, WORKERS AND THE MASS MEDIA. THE FULL TEXT OF THE EDICT FOLLOWS:

2. BEGIN TEXT -- QUOTE: THE COUNTRY TODAY HAS ATTAINED A STAGE WHERE DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL PROGRESS HAVE REACHED AN UNPRECEDENTED PHASE AND AS SUCH THE EFFORT OF THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE SHOULD BE TO LAY STRESS IN THE MATTER OF ELIMINATING WASTAGE IN MANPOWER, AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL PRODUCTS, AND ALSO ELIMINATE DELAYS AND DEFICIENCIES. THESE SHOULD BE AVOIDED THROUGH PLANNING CONDUCTIVE PROGRAMMING AND REGULAR INSPECTION AND OBSERVATION OF THE VARIOUS PROJECTS, AND TO FULFILL THIS RESPONSIBILITY, THE MINISTRIES CONCERNED AND THE AFFILIATED CHAPTERS MUST BE DEMANDED TOWARD ITS IMPLEMENTATION. THEREFORE WE DECREE THAT AN IMPERIAL COMMISSION BE SET
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UP IN OUR SPECIAL OFFICE TO COVER THE FOLLOWING ASPECTS:

1) THE PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF PROJECTS TO PREVENT ANY WASTAGE AND DRAWBACKS IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION RESULTING FROM PESTS, PACKAGING, TRANSPORTATION AND DISTRIBUTION.

2) THE PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF NECESSARY PROGRAMS TO PREVENT THE OCCURRENCE OF ANY DRAWBACK IN THE COUNTRY'S TECHNOLOGY SUCH AS WASTAGE OF RAW MATERIALS AND THE LACK OF USING THE MAXIMUM CAPACITIES OF FACTORIES, MACHINERIES BOTH IN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS.

3) THE PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF PROGRAMS TO PREVENT UNNECESSARY ANCHORING OF SHIPS IN THE HARBORS, ADDITIONAL ROUND-THE-CLOCK SHIFTS TO ELIMINATE CONGESTION IN THE PORTS AND IN THE MATTER OF TRANSPORTING THE GOODS TO DISTRIBUTION POINTS.

4) THE EXECUTION OF THE DECISIONS OF THE EDUCATIONAL REVOLUTION.

5) THE PREPARATION OF PROGRAMS TO OVERCOME DEFICIENCIES IN RURAL AND CONSUMER COOPERATIVES.

6) FOCUSING ATTENTION ON THE REASONS FOR THE INCOMPLETION OF CERTAIN PROJECTS UNDER THE PRESENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND ALSO UNDER THE PREVIOUS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS, AND ALSO FOCUSING ATTENTION ON ANTICIPATED PROJECT FAULTS IN THE SIXTH PLAN.

7) PREPARATION OF PROJECTS FOR ELIMINATION OF DEFICIENCIES OF MEDICAL INSURANCE AND OTHER FORMS OF SOCIAL INSURANCE INITIATED BY THE MINISTRIES CONCERNED.

8) PROBING THE REASONS FOR POWER SHORTAGE AND CONTINUOUS POWER CUTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND ACTION PROGRAMS TO PREVENT SUCH RECURRENCE.

9) OBSERVATION OF THE ISSUES WHICH WOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE COMMISSION. OF COURSE THESE ARE BESIDES THE ORDERS ISSUED TO GOVERNMENT ON ELIMINATING WASTAGE.

3. QUOTE - THE MEMBERS OF THE IMPERIAL COMMISSION ARE APPOINTED AS FOLLOWS:

1) FROM THE MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE FOREGOING ORDERS. FROM EACH OF THESE, TWO REPRESENTATIVES WITH FULL AUTHORITY WILL BE NOMINATED AND ANNOUNCED TO THE COMMISSION.

2) THE RASTAKHIZ PARTY WILL SELECT TWO FARMERS, TWO WORKERS, TWO REPRESENTATIVES AMONG MEDICAL INSURANCE CARD HOLDERS, TWO FROM RURAL COOPERATIVES AND TWO DEPUTIES AMONG MEMBERS OF THE CONSUMERS' COOPERATIVES.

3) TWO DEPUTIES FROM THE COUNTRY'S BUREAU OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY.

4) TWO PERSONS REPRESENTING THE MASS MEDIA.

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5) THE CHIEF OF THE SPECIAL IMPERIAL OFFICE WITH THE CHIEF OF THE SPECIAL MILITARY INSPECTORATE WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO PROVIDE THE COMMISSION SUFFICIENT PERSONNEL TO FULFILL INSPECTIONAL DUTIES AND SUPERVISE THE EXECUTION OF PROGRAMS.

4. QUOTE - THE GOVERNMENT ON RECEIVING THIS EDICT WILL GIVE TWO MONTHS' TIME TO THE CONCERNED MINISTRIES AND CHAPTERS IN

ORDER TO SUBMIT THEIR PROJECTS FOR SCRUTINY BY THE COMMISSION.

5. QUOTE- THE IMPERIAL COMMISSION WILL IMMEDIATELY HOLD ITS SESSIONS AT THE SPECIAL IMPERIAL OFFICE AND ARRANGE ITS PLANS TO FORM INSPECTORATES AND OBSERVATION COMMITTEES. THESE WILL OBSERVE THE EXECUTION OF THE PLANS DURING THE ESTIMATED TIME LIMIT AND WILL REPORT TO US REGULARLY THE PROGRESS OF THE ACTIVITIES THROUGH OUR SPECIAL OFFICE.
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UNQUOTE. END OF TEXT.

6. COMMENT: DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND COMMERCE SHOULD BE AWARE THAT AS A RESULT OF ABOVE EDICT USG AGENCIES AND PRIVATE BUSINESSES CAN EXPECT FURTHER DELAYS IN ACCEPTANCES OF PROJECT PROPOSALS IN AREAS BEING INVESTIGATED BY NEW COMMISSION. THIS WILL PROBABLY MEAN RE-NEGOTIATION OF SOME EXISTING PROJECTS AND RELUCTANCE ON PART OF GOI OFFICIALS TO COMMIT LARGE SUMS OF PUBLIC FUNDS WITHOUT DETAILED PRIOR APPROVAL FROM COMMISSION.
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